

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display apparatus comprising two boards between which a liquid crystal layer is sandwiched, one of the boards including:

a plurality of scanning lines;

a plurality of signal lines disposed so as to intersect the scanning lines;

a plurality of switching elements and a plurality of pixel electrodes disposed in a matrix form in regions surrounded with the scanning lines and the signal lines; and

an auxiliary capacitor electrode formed over a majority portion of ~~almost all over~~ a display screen in such a manner that the auxiliary capacitor electrode is opposed to and overlaps a majority portion of each of a plurality of the pixel electrodes, with an insulation film interposed therebetween,

a region of the auxiliary capacitor electrode corresponding to a gap between [[the]] adjacent pixel electrodes having at least partially been removed.

2. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the auxiliary capacitor electrode is at least partially laid over the scanning lines, the signal lines, and/or the switching elements.

3. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display apparatus comprising two boards between which a liquid crystal layer is sandwiched, one of the boards including:

a plurality of scanning lines;

a plurality of signal lines disposed so as to intersect the scanning lines;

a plurality of switching elements and a plurality of pixel electrodes disposed in a matrix form in regions surrounded with the scanning lines and the signal lines;

an auxiliary capacitor electrode formed over a majority portion of a display screen in such a manner that the auxiliary capacitor electrode is opposed to a plurality of the pixel electrodes, with an insulation film interposed therebetween;

a region of the auxiliary capacitor electrode corresponding to a gap between adjacent pixel electrodes having at least partially been removed; and

~~The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 1,~~ wherein the auxiliary capacitor electrode is made of a light permeable material and disposed in at least one portion of an opening of each of pixels.

4. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the pixel electrodes overlap the scanning lines and/or the signal lines.

5. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display apparatus comprising two boards between which a liquid crystal layer is sandwiched, one of the boards including:

a plurality of scanning lines;

a plurality of signal lines disposed so as to intersect the scanning lines;  
a plurality of switching elements and a plurality of pixel electrodes disposed in a matrix form in regions surrounded with the scanning lines and the signal lines;  
an auxiliary capacitor electrode formed over a majority portion of a display screen in such a manner that the auxiliary capacitor electrode is opposed to a plurality of the pixel electrodes, with an insulation film interposed therebetween;  
a region of the auxiliary capacitor electrode corresponding to a gap between adjacent pixel electrodes having at least partially been removed; and

~~The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 1,~~ wherein a width of the ~~removed portion of~~ an area where the auxiliary capacitor electrode has been removed is larger than a width of the gap between the adjacent pixel electrodes.

6. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display apparatus comprising two boards between which a liquid crystal layer is sandwiched, one of the boards including:

a plurality of scanning lines;  
a plurality of signal lines disposed so as to intersect the scanning lines;  
a plurality of switching elements and a plurality of pixel electrodes disposed in a matrix form in regions surrounded with the scanning lines and the signal lines; [[and]]  
a light-shielding film formed ~~almost all over a display screen~~ in such a manner that the light-shielding film is opposed to a plurality of the pixel electrodes with an insulation film interposed therebetween,

a region of the light-shielding film corresponding to a gap between [[the]] adjacent pixel electrodes having at least partially been removed[[.]], and

wherein a width of an area where the light-shielding film has been removed is larger than a width of the gap between the adjacent pixel electrodes.

7. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the light-shielding film is at least partially laid over the scanning lines, the signal lines, and/or the switching elements.

8. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the pixel electrodes overlap the scanning lines and/or the signal lines.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) A liquid crystal display apparatus comprising two boards between which a liquid crystal layer is sandwiched, one of the boards including:

a plurality of scanning lines;

a plurality of signal lines disposed so as to intersect the scanning lines;

a plurality of switching elements and a plurality of pixel electrodes disposed in a matrix form in regions surrounded with the scanning lines and the signal lines; [[and]]

~~a light-shielding film and~~ an auxiliary capacitor electrode formed over a majority portion of almost all over a display screen in such a manner that the ~~auxiliary capacitor electrode and the~~ auxiliary capacitor electrode ~~[[are]]~~ is opposed to a plurality of the pixel electrodes with an insulation film interposed therebetween~~[[,]]~~;

a light-shielding film formed in such a manner that the light-shielding film is opposed to a plurality of the pixel electrodes with the insulation film therebetween; and

[[a ]]regions of each of the light-shielding film and [[of]] the auxiliary capacitor electrode corresponding to a gap between [[the]] adjacent pixel electrodes having at least partially been removed.

11. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the light-shielding film is at least partially laid over the scanning lines, the signal lines, and/or the switching elements.

12. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the auxiliary capacitor electrode is at least partially laid over the scanning lines, the signal lines, and/or the switching elements.

13. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the auxiliary capacitor electrode is made of a light permeable material and disposed in at least one portion of an opening of each of pixels.

14. (Original) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the pixel electrodes overlap the scanning lines and/or the signal lines.

15. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein a width of an area where ~~the removed portion of~~ the auxiliary capacitor electrode has been removed is larger than a width of the gap between the adjacent pixel electrodes.

16. (Currently amended) The liquid crystal display apparatus according to claim 10, wherein a width of an area where ~~the removed portion of~~ the light-shielding film has been removed is larger than a width of the gap between the adjacent pixel electrodes.